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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

08CRD144-JLS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ULISSES GONZALEZ
RICARDO ORTIZ-MENDOZA,
aka Ulysses Gonzalez,

Defendant.

Magistrate Case No. 08MJ0030

**STIPULATION OF FACT AND JOINT
MOTION FOR RELEASE OF
MATERIAL WITNESS(ES) AND
ORDER THEREON**

(Pre-Indictment Fast-Track Program)

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED between the plaintiff, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by and through its counsel, Karen P. Hewitt, United States Attorney, and ; Caroline P. Han, Assistant United States Attorney, and defendant RICARDO ORTIZ-MENDOZA, aka Ulysses Gonzalez, by and through and with the advice and consent of defense counsel, Andrew K. Nietor, that:

1. Defendant agrees to execute this stipulation on or before the first preliminary hearing date and to participate in a full and complete inquiry by the Court into whether defendant knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily entered into it. Defendant agrees further to waive indictment and plead guilty to the pre-indictment information charging defendant with a non-mandatory minimum count of Transportation of Aliens and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of 8 U.S.C. §1324(a)(1)(A)(ii) and (v)(II).

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(on bond / 2 in custody)

1 2. Defendant acknowledges receipt of a plea agreement in this case and agrees to
2 provide the signed, original plea agreement to the Government not later than five business days
3 before the disposition date set by the Court.

4 3. Defendant agrees to plead guilty to the charge pursuant to the plea agreement on or
5 before **February 1, 2008**.

6 4. The material witnesses, Bolivar Rodriguez-Cardenas, Indalis Munoz-Flores, and
7 Adela Nova-Quintero, in this case:

8 a. Are aliens with no lawful right to enter or remain in the United States;

9 b. Entered or attempted to enter the United States illegally on or about
10 January 2, 2008;

11 c. Were found in a vehicle driven by defendant ^{ULYSSES GONZALEZ} ~~RICARDO ORTIZ-MENDOZA~~,
12 aka Ulysses Gonzalez, in or near Jamul, California and that defendant knew or acted in reckless
13 disregard of the fact that they were aliens with no lawful right to enter or remain in the United States;

14 d. Were paying or having others pay on their behalf up to \$3,500 and an
15 unknown amount to others to be brought into the United States illegally and/or transported illegally
16 to their destination therein; and,

17 e. May be released and remanded immediately to the Department of Homeland
18 Security for return to their country of origin.

19 5. After the material witnesses are ordered released by the Court pursuant to this
20 stipulation and joint motion, if defendant does not plead guilty to the charge set forth above, for any
21 reason, or thereafter withdraws his guilty plea to that charge, defendant agrees that in any proceeding,
22 including, but not limited to, motion hearings, trial, sentencing, appeal or collateral attack, that:

23 a. The stipulated facts set forth in paragraph 4 above shall be admitted as
24 substantive evidence;

25 b. The United States may elicit hearsay testimony from arresting agents
26 regarding any statements made by the material witness(es) provided in discovery, and such testimony

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1 shall be admitted as substantive evidence under Fed. R. Evid. 804(b)(3) as statements against interest
2 of (an) unavailable witness(es); and,

3 c. Understanding that under Crawford v. Washington, 124 S. Ct. 1354 (2004),
4 "testimonial" hearsay statements are not admissible against a defendant unless defendant confronted
5 and cross-examined the witness(es) who made the "testimonial" hearsay statements, defendant
6 waives the right to confront and cross-examine the material witness(es) in this case.

7 6. By signing this stipulation and joint motion, defendant certifies that defendant has
8 read it (or that it has been read to defendant in defendant's native language). Defendant certifies
9 further that defendant has discussed the terms of this stipulation and joint motion with defense
10 counsel and fully understands its meaning and effect.

11 Based on the foregoing, the parties jointly move the stipulation into evidence and for the
12 immediate release and remand of the above-named material witness(es) to the Department of
13 Homeland Security for return to their country of origin.

14 It is STIPULATED AND AGREED this date.

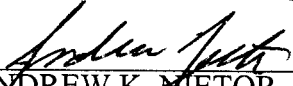
15 Respectfully submitted,

16 KAREN P. HEWITT
17 United States Attorney

18 Dated: 1/17/08

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20 CAROLINE P. HAN
21 Assistant United States Attorney

22 Dated: 1/11/08

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24 ANDREW K. NIETOR
25 Defense Counsel for Ricardo Ortiz-Mendoza,
26 aka Ulysses Gonzalez

27 Dated: 1/11/08

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29 RICARDO ORTIZ-MENDOZA
30 aka Ulysses Gonzalez
31 Defendant

ORDER


Upon joint application and motion of the parties, and for good cause shown,

THE STIPULATION is admitted into evidence, and,

IT IS ORDERED that the above-named material witness(es) be released and remanded forthwith to the Department of Homeland Security for return to their country of origin.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: 1/17/08.


United States Magistrate Judge